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Takanobu HIGUCHI et al. ) Confirmation No.: 1107  
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For: OPTICAL RECORDING MEDIUM )  
HAVING CAVITY PHASE PITS )  
FACING THE READING LASER )  
BEAM (As Amended) )

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT IN RCE**

Concurrently filed herein with a Request for Continued Examination and prior to continued examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows. This filing is in response to the Final Office Action dated September 26, 2006, the period for response to which extends through January 26, 2007, by the concurrently filed petition for a one-month extension of time and corresponding fee payment.